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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 27, 2004, Applicants herewith submit a Terminal Disclaimer over any patent issuing on co-pending Application No. 09/575,560. Claims 1-65 have been provisionally rejected for obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-9 and 29 of co-pending Application No. 09/575,560. By the submission of the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer, this rejection is now rendered moot. Accordingly, all claims are now in condition for allowance and Applicants request prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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[X] Response to Office Action;

[X] Terminal Disclaimer to Obviate a Double Patenting Rejection Over a Second Application:

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The owner*, Analog Devices, Inc., of 100% percent interest in the instant application hereby discalaims, except as provided below, the terminal part of the statutory term of any patent granted on the instant application which would extend beyond the expiration date of the full statutory term defined in 35 U.S.C. §154 to §156 and §173, as shortened by any terminal disclaimer, filed prior to the grant of any patent granted on pending second Application Number 09/575,560. The owner hereby agrees that any patent so granted on the instant application shall be enforceable only for and during such period that it and any patent granted on the second application are commonly owned. This agreement runs with any patent granted on the instant application and is binding upon the grantee, its successors or assigns.

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